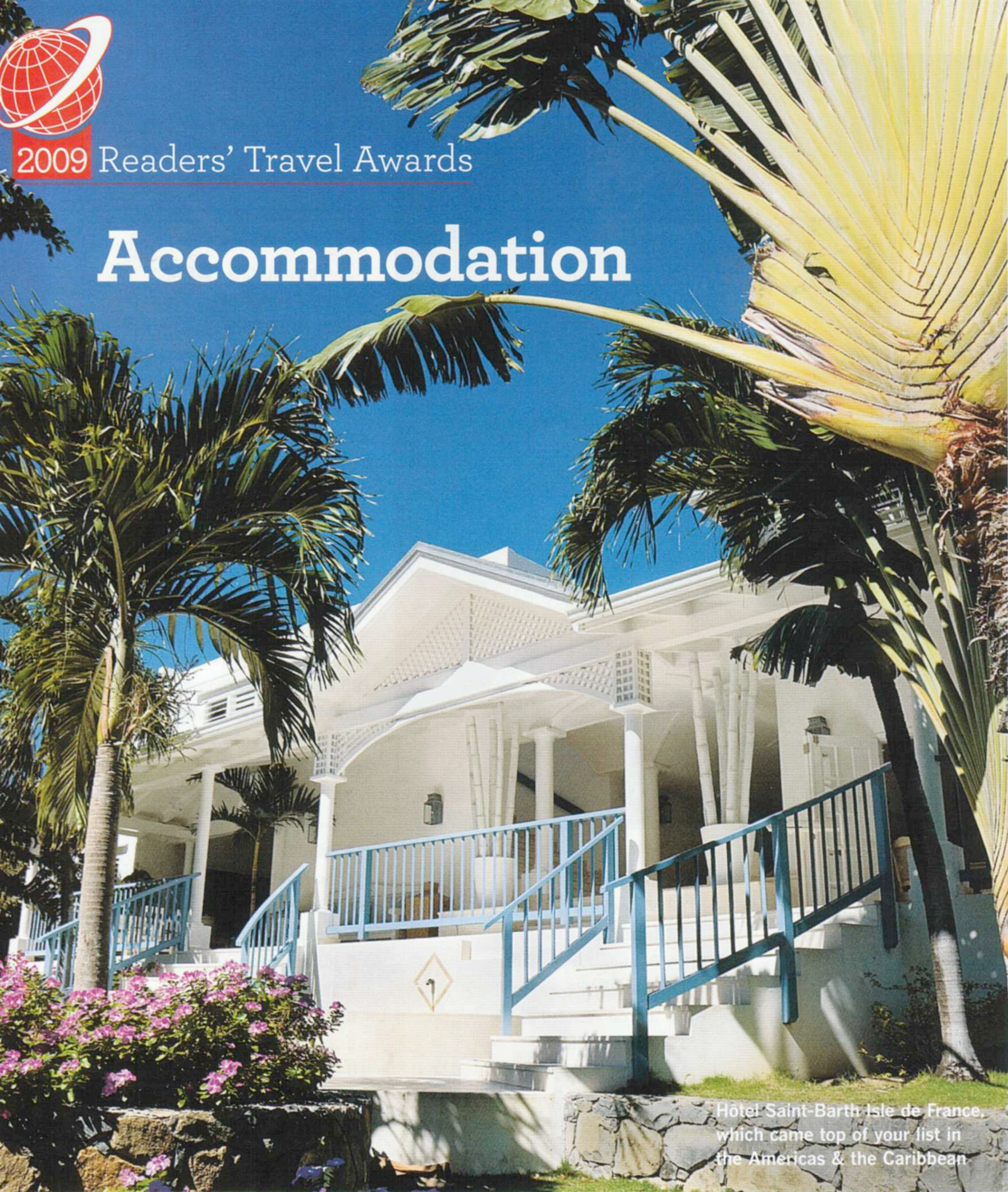




Accommodation



Hôtel Saint-Barth Isle de France, which came top of your list in the Americas & the Caribbean

The Americas & the Caribbean

- 1 Hôtel Saint-Barth Isle de France, St Barts 93.93
- 2 One&Only Ocean Club, Paradise Island, Bahamas 92.70
- 3 Machu Picchu Sanctuary Lodge, Peru 91.42
- 4 The Carlyle, New York 90.30
- 5 Four Seasons Resort Whistler, British Columbia, Canada 89.62
- 6 Sandy Lane, Barbados 87.84
- 7 Explora en Patagonia Hotel Salto Chico, Chile 87.56
- 8 Carlisle Bay, Antigua 85.39
- 9 King Pacific Lodge, British Columbia, Canada 84.62
- 10 Explora en Atacama Hotel de Larache, Chile 83.77
- 11 Mandarin Oriental, New York 82.37
- 12 Hotel Monasterio, Cusco, Peru 81.51
- 13 Parrot Cay, Turks & Caicos 81.36
- 14 Hotel Fasano Rio de Janeiro 80.57
- 15 The Setai, Miami 79.86
- 16 Hotel Saratoga, Havana, Cuba 79.55
- 17 Copacabana Palace, Rio de Janeiro 78.86
- 18 Cotton House, Mustique 77.57
- 19 Jake's, Jamaica 76.47
- 20 Auberge du Soleil, Napa Valley, California 73.70

Europe, Asia Minor & the Russian Federation

- 1 Four Seasons Hotel Firenze 94.70
- 2 Hotel Splendido, Portofino, Italy 92.91
- 3 Anassa, Cyprus 90.31
- 4 Hotel Cipriani, Venice 89.87
- 5 La Residencia, Mallorca 89.52
- 6 Çırağan Palace Kempinski Istanbul 88.96
- 7 Four Seasons Hotel Gresham Palace Budapest 87.87
- 8 Grand Hotel a Villa Feltrinelli, Lake Garda, Italy 87.81
- 9 InterContinental Paris Le Grand 87.50
- 10 Hotel Astoria, St Petersburg 83.47
- 11 San Domenico Palace Hotel, Taormina, Sicily 81.53
- 12 Hotel Imperial, Vienna 81.47
- 13 Four Seasons Hotel George V Paris 81.38
- 14 Château de Bagnols, France 80.90
- 15 Hotel de Russie, Rome 80.50 ➤

OVERSEAS LEISURE HOTELS

We asked you to nominate your favourite holiday hotels according to geographical location. In **The Americas & the Caribbean**, the lovely **Hôtel Saint-Barth Isle de France** is on a winning streak, especially for its colonial *ambience/decor* (96.67) and *family-friendliness* (98.11). Also in the Caribbean, you gave **Carlisle Bay** a laudable 90 for its *environmental friendliness*, and the **One&Only Ocean Club** in the Bahamas the best score for its beachfront *location* (96).

In **Europe, Asia Minor & the Russian Federation**, the **Four Seasons Hotel Firenze** achieved sufficiently high scores in all 10 criteria to propel it into first place, helped by your decision to give it above 95 for *ambience/decor*, *location* and *service*. Other hotels to score above 90 were **Hotel Splendido**

on Italy's Ligurian coast for *food/restaurants*, **Hotel Cipriani** in Venice for *leisure facilities*, **San Domenico Palace Hotel** in Sicily's clifftop town of Taormina for *location* and **Anassa** in Cyprus for *value for money*.

In the **Middle East, Africa & the Indian Ocean**, this year's winner is **Shompole** in southern Kenya, which scored highest for its *location* overlooking the Rift Valley (95.13) and above 90 for *ambience/decor*. For *environmental friendliness* you felt that **Soneva Gili by Six Senses** in the Maldives should be rewarded (93.33), closely followed by the Seychelles' **North Island** (93.30), while **The Chedi Muscat** came top for *leisure facilities* (96.47).

In **Asia & the Indian Subcontinent**, **Rambagh Palace** in Jaipur has the best *ambience/decor*

(98.12) and *location* (96.50), while **Shangri-La's Tanjung Aru Resort & Spa** has the finest *leisure facilities* (99.33) and **The Oberoi Amarvilās** scored highest for *environmental friendliness* (93.14). In Thailand, you think **The Chedi Phuket** has the most appetising *food* (92.50) and **Mandarin Oriental Dhara Dhevi, Chiang Mai** the most polished *service/staff* (98.33).

Blanket Bay in New Zealand is your favourite holiday hotel in **Australasia & the South Pacific**, with the region's best score for *family-friendliness* (98.43) and above 80 for all 10 criteria. In Australia, you applauded **Lilianfels Blue Mountains** for *value for money* (94.55) and **The Observatory Hotel** for *service* (87.33), while the Uluru *location* of **Longitude 131°** earned it a picture-perfect score of 100 out of 100.